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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned) Examiner: Not Yet Known
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application for patent as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 29 and 30.

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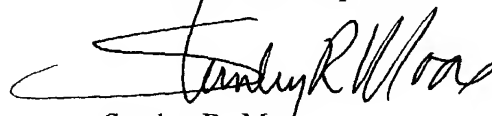
REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that the amendments made to the claims herein are neither being presented nor made in response to the citation of any prior art known to the Applicant or the Applicant's attorneys. These claim amendments are further not made for any reason related to any statutory requirements for patentability. These claim amendments are made solely to more completely claim that to which the Applicant is entitled. Applicant's invention should only be considered limited by the claims as they now exist and the equivalents thereof. It is not the Applicant's intent to narrow any claim element by the amendments made herein. It is submitted that no new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the thorough and complete examination of this application and earnestly solicits an early notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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